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SUBJECT: EXPORT OF BRAZILIAN HONEY TO U.S.

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THERE ARE TWO SETS OF STANDARDS SET BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR HONEY.

1. TABLE HONEY MAY BE EXTRACTED EITHER CENTRIFUGALLY OR BY PRESSURE BUT MUST BE DONE UNDER SANITARY CONDITIONS AND HAS

THE FOLLOWING ANALYTICAL COMPOSITION.

- A. WATER AND OTHER VOLATILE SUBSTANCES, LESS THAN 20 PERCENT.
- B. ACIDS, NOT MORE THAN 0.1 PERCENT.
- C. SUGAR (INVERTED BASIS) 72 TO 80 PERCENT.
- D. SACAROSE NOT MORE THAN 10 PERCENT.
- E. DEXTRIN NOT MORE THAN 5 PERCENT.
- F. RESIDUALS (FIXED) NOT MORE THAN 0.2 PERCENT.
- 2. KITCHEN OR COOKING HONEY IS DEFINED AS HONEY EXTRACTED CENTRIFUGALLY OR BY PRESSURE BUT WITH FAULTY EXTRACTION METHODS AND HAVING THE FOLLOWING ANALYTICAL COMPOSITION.
- A. WATER AND OTHER VOLATILE NOT MORE THAN 22 PERCENT.
- B. ACIDS NOT MORE THAN 0.2 PERCENT.
- C. SUGAR (INVERTED BASIS) NOT LESS THAN 64 PERCENT.
- D. SACCHAROSE NOT MORE THAN 10 PERCENT.

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E. DEXTRIN NOT MORE THAN 5 PERCENT.

- F. RESIDUAL MINERALS (FIXED) NOT MORE THAN 36 PERCENT.
- 3. FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES NOT DIRECTLY EXERCISE ANY CONTROLS OVER HONEY. ALTHOUGH STANDARDS ARE FEDERAL, EACH STATE HAS RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL PRODUCTION STANDARDS. FEDERAL AUTHORITIES UNABLE TO SAY WHETHER PRODUCT MOVING INTO USA IS ALL DOMESTICALLY PRODUCED OR IMPORTED PROCESSED AND RESHIPPED.
- 4. MOST RECENT OFFICIAL HONEY PRODUCTION STATISTICS ARE 1969. UNOFFICIALLY MINAG ESTIMATE FOR 1973 PRODUCTION IS 6,000 MT. OFFICIAL CACEX EXPORT DATA FOR 1973 SHOWS TOTAL EXPORTS OF 2.233 MT OF WHICH 142 MT WERE TO USA.
- 5. CACEX DATA SHOW TOTAL HONEY IMPORTS AT 134,612 KILOGRAMS OF WHICH 9,297 KILOGRAMS WERE FROM THE USA. A TOTAL OF 120,280 KG WERE IMPORTED FROM URUGUAY.
- 6. FURTHER INFORMATION IS NOT V CENTRALLY AVAILABLE. IF ISSUE IS SUFFICIENTLY IMPORTANT AN ON THE SPOT INVESTIGATION COULD BE CONSIDERED, ALTHOUGH SUCH A VISIT WOULD OF COURSE REQUIRE APPROVAL OF GOB.

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